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DIARY NOTES

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16 December 1963

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that the Bureau of the Budget had expressed some unhappiness about the budget cuts which we are making in our communications program, saying that they were afraid we would not be able to go forward with combined communications centers in Europe, contribute to the National Communications System, etc. The Director said in substance that it was his understanding that our Communications budget provided for communications for CIA only. General Carter responded that this was almost, but not exactly, right and indicated to me that we should not bother the Director further until we had gotten a reaction from the Department of State and the Department of Defense. Since this was not quite accurate, I furnished General Carter an "Eyes Only" memorandum later in the day in order to set the facts straight.

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did not agree to give the reported that . another \$50,000. Hence, the Navy is still holding contractor at out \$198,000 on this contract. There will be an inspection on 10 January 1964 to see what the contractor has actually accomplished. If he does not demonstrate by completed actions prior to that time his competence to finish promptly, he may be closed out; then the would take over 25X1C4a the responsibility for completing the job with the funds they have held out from the contractor.

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- reported that the lights in the West Parking Lot should be finished today. (I have heard this so many times that I do not know whether to believe it.)
- 5. Emmett Echols reported that he had had a request from Mr. Dulles to supply a well-qualified secretary for the next several weeks to work for the commission investigating the President's assassination. I told him to cooperate, and I have reported this to Kirk.

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requested a pair of field glasses for General Carter. (They were delivered today.)

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| 25X1A9a | 7. Mr. Assistant Commissioner of PBS for Buildings Management, called and wanted to come over and discuss air conditioning |
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| 25X1A9a | and heating. I made a date with him for 11 a.m. on 7 January. He will stay for lunch. have been invited. |
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| 25X1A9a | 8. called to recommend that Bob Bannerman's name be considered for the National Civil Service League Career Service Award. |
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